Loan and guarantee to entrepreneurs

2105. SHRI DWIJENDRA NATH SHARMAH: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of applications received by Government for providing loan and guarantee to the entrepreneurs for setting up of various Small Scale Industries and medium scale industries under the Credit Guarantee Scheme in North Eastern Region particularly in the State of Assam during the period of last one year, State-wise;

(b) the number of applications sanctioned/rejected during this period indicating the reasons for rejection of application, district-wise; and

(c) the steps taken by Government for early clearance of such pending applications?

THE MINISTER OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHAVIR PRASAD): (a) and (b) The State-wise number of applications received/approved by the Credit Guarantee Fund Trust for Small Industries (CGTSI) for providing guarantee cover on credit facilities to the micro and small entrepreneurs in the North-Eastern States (including Assam) under Credit Guarantee Scheme during 1st March, 2006 to 28th February, 2007 is given in the enclosed statement (*See* below). No eligible application has been rejected by CGTSI under the scheme.

(c) To enable early clearance of applications, the operations of the scheme have been computerized and made on-line using B 2 B e-business concept, *i.e.*, business to business operations conducted through internet between two or more business partners.

Statement

State-wise number of applications received/approved in the North-Eastern States under Credit Guarantee Scheme

Sl.No.	State	Number of applications received/Approved during 01.3.2006 to 28.2.2007
1	2	3
1.	Assam	1247
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	112

1	2	3
3.	Manipur	24
4.	Meghalaya	225
5.	Mizoram	196
6.	Nagaland	43
7.	Tripura	88
8.	Sikkim	23
	TOTAL:	1958

Development of SSIs

2106. SHRI S. ANBALAGAN: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the rate of growth of Small Scale Industries during each of the last three years, figures for all India and State-wise;

(b) whether it is fact that development of Small Scale Industries is given a step monthery treatment by Governments at the Centre and the States when compared to the large scale and medium scale industries, and

(c) if so, the concrete steps proposed to be taken by the Central Government for the development of Small Scale Industries in the country. So as to help the jobless enthusiastic youth of the country?

THE MINISTER OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHAVIR PRASAD): (a) Based on the revised Index of Industrial Production for the Small Scale Industries (SSIs) sectors, with base year 2001-02, the rate of growth of production of SSIs in the country during 2003-4, 2004-05 and 2005-06 have been 9.64%, 10.88% and 12.32% respectively. The State-wise information is not maintained centrally.

(b) and (c) Promotion and development of SSIs is primarily the responsibility of State Governments and Union Territory Administrations. To assist the States/UTs and supplement their efforts in this regard, the Central Government implements several schemes/ programmes for promotion and development of SSIs. These, include, *inter alia.*